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The following information on the SNE border guard unit in PETRZALKA (P 49/X 99) was obtained:

1. Superior Headquarters

BRATISLAVA (P 49/X 99) border guard company commanded by 1st Lt. PRECEN. The company was scheduled to be transferred from BRATISLAVA to PETRZALKA where it had been located prior to February 1949. The company was subordinate to an SNE border guard battalion, commanded by Capt VIKTORIN, located at 21 Stefanik Street, BRATISLAVA.

2. Designation

Border guard post SNE unit in PETRZALKA                      25X1  
                     The unit had one platoon,                      25X1  
 and was quartered in the Jelinek Barracks.

3. Unit Commander

Officer Candidate Emerick CHAMULA, a Slovak. Deputy: M Sgt SPATINA, a Slovak.

4. Strength

Platoon of 60 men, including thirty 21 to 25-year-old SNE men ranking as platoon leaders. The other personnel of the unit were older gendarmerie men having ranks up to technical sergeant. More than a third of the men were anti-Communists and refused their signature for the so-called Catholic action.

5. Weapons

Rifles and pistols  
 Four light machine guns (Soviet)  
 Two submachine guns (British)

The machine guns and submachine guns were in a neglected condition.

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Old and mended uniforms.

7. Missions

Checking of passports on the BRATISLAVA-VIENNA highway. Patrol-  
ling of the border (two-man patrols).

The entire platoon was alerted by order of Unit [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] about 20 August 1949 to intercept agents of the US Army  
Intelligence service who were expected to cross the Austrian-  
Slovak border.

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8. Border Fortifications

The construction of barbed-wire obstacles along the Slovakian-  
Austrian border was planned. A two-mile section continuing  
the wire obstacles along the Austrian-Hungarian border was  
completed by late September 1949. Old barbed wire was used for  
this work which was discontinued for the lack of material.

9. Courses

a. A pistol markmanship course was held in the PRAGUE-  
VRSOVICE barracks [REDACTED] from 28 August to  
4 September 1949. About 40 picked marksman from SNB border  
guard units and military SNB battalions from all Czechoslovakia  
participated in the course. Type 26 pistols were used.

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b. A rifle, submachine gun and machine gun markmanship course  
was held at the DOUPOV (N 51/P 89) SNB training center from  
4 to 12 September 1949, attended by about 300 SNB men from all  
Czechoslovakia. They were quartered in the former monastery on  
the western exit road of DOUPOV.

(1) Maj VESELY and five other officers, all Czechs, were  
instructors.

(2) The following arms were used:

Rifles of type 26

About 30 Parabellum submachine guns, a "secret" weapon which  
was primarily used during the course

About 30 semi-automatic rifles of type 48

Czech light and heavy machine guns

Soviet heavy machine guns of type Maksim.

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